

## Planned NASA Research Facilities

**NASA pressurized payload rack facilities awaiting launch**

- **Microgravity Science Research Rack (MSRR) (2009)**
  - Facility to support ESA Microgravity Science Lab Furnace
- **Fluids Integrated Rack (FIR) (2009)**
  - Facility dedicated to fluid physics research, with Light Microscope Module
- **Window Observation Research Facility (WORF) (2009)**
  - Facility to support visual and multispectral remote sensing using Lab Optical Window
- **Muscle Atrophy Research Exercise System (MARES) (2009)**
  - Facility for musculoskeletal, biomechanical, neuromuscular and neurological physiology measurements

MSRR

FIR

WORF

MARES

## Columbus

**1E flight, December 2007**

**Columbus Module at KSC**

**European Technology Exposure Facility (EuTEF)**

**SOLAR**

Biolab

European Drawer Rack

European Physiology Module

European Transport Carrier

Fluid Science Lab

## Columbus European Space Agency (ESA)

**Research racks launched in Columbus**

- **European Physiology Module**
  - Facility for human physiology research in neurosciences, cardiology, bone and muscle metabolism
- **Fluid Science Lab**
  - Multi-user facility for fluid physics research
- **Biolab**
  - Facility for cell culture, tissue, microorganisms, small plants and animals research, includes glovebox, incubator, microscope
- **European Drawer Rack**
  - Provide for middeck-class experiments and stowage
- **European Transport Carrier**
  - Stowage and transportation rack for experiments

**External facilities launched with Columbus**

- **European Technology Exposure Facility (EuTEF)**
  - Provides a platform for investigators to gather science data on the ISS space environment
- **SOLAR**
  - A platform with coarse pointing capability for three science instruments to monitor the solar flux in different wavelengths

## Kibo

Flights: 1J/A Feb 2008, 1J Apr 2008, 2J/A Jan 2009

**Final configuration**

**Kibo at KSC**

**JEM-EF at TkSC**

**1J/A**

  
Ryutai (Fluids)

**HTV1 Feb 2009**

  
Saibo (Cell Biology)

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Kobairo (Materials)

Space Environment Data Acquisition (SEDA)

Monitor All-sky X-ray Image (MAXI)

Superconducting Sub millimeter-wave Limb-Emission Sounder (SMILES)

## Kibo Japanese Aerospace Exploration Agency (JAXA)

**Research racks launched with pressurized elements or later on HTV**

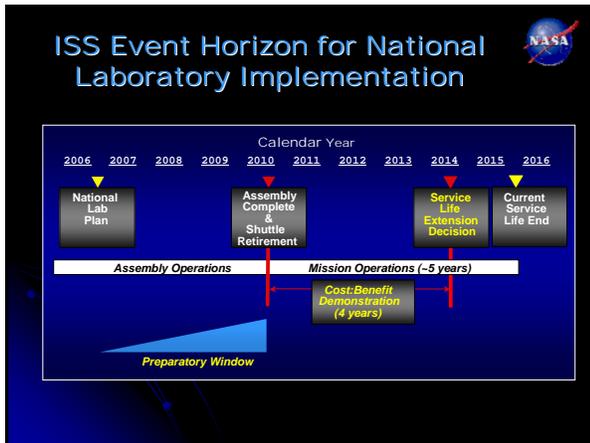
- **Ryutai (2008)**
  - Fluid physics and solution/crystal growth research, including image processing unit
- **Saibo (2008)**
  - Cell biology facility, contains Clean Bench and Cell Biology Experiment Facility, including glovebox, incubator, microscope, centrifuge
- **Kobairo (2009)**
  - Gradient Heating Furnace for materials processing research

**External payloads launched with JEM-EF or later on HTV**

- **Space Environment Data Acquisition (SEDA) (2009)**
  - Monitor neutron, plasma, atomic oxygen, and heavy ions
- **Monitor All-sky X-ray Image (MAXI) (2009)**
  - Observe X-ray bursts by Gas Slit Camera and X-ray CCD Slit Camera
- **Superconducting Sub millimeter-wave Limb-Emission Sounder (SMILES) (2009)**
  - Demonstrate sub-millimeter sensor technology and conduct sub-millimeter limb-emission sounding of the atmosphere and perform global observation of trace gases in the Stratosphere

The NASA Authorization act of 2005 designated the U.S. facilities and resources on the ISS as a "national laboratory" (Public Law 109-155, Sec. 507)

- Directed NASA to develop a plan to "increase the utilization of the ISS by other Federal entities and the private sector..."
- As the Nation's newest national laboratory, the ISS will further strengthen relationships among NASA, other Federal entities, and private sector leaders in the pursuit of national priorities for the advancement of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics.
- The ISS National Laboratory will also open new paths for the exploration and economic development of Space.
- Opportunity to expand the US economy in space-based research, applications and operations.
- Unique and highly visible national asset with surplus capacity available for a wide spectrum of applications.
- NASA will continue to cover cost of operating and maintaining the ISS, and is highly motivated to work with other agencies and organizations to pursue applications.



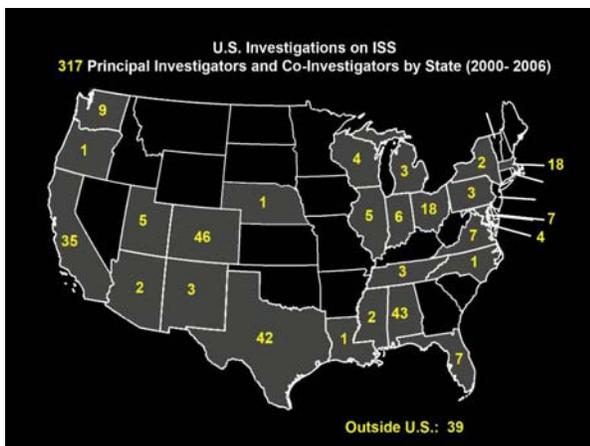
## Science Accomplishments on ISS

### "Early utilization" on ISS

- Science completed during assembly
  - Early returns during the course of assembly
  - Takes advantage of assembly delays, extra crew time
  - Means that every crewmember on ISS can be a subject for human research experiments
    - More human experiments and larger sample sizes over the life of ISS
- Provides information on the potential uses of ISS after assembly is complete

### Expedition 14 Research Accomplishments (September 2006 – April 2007)

- Expedition 14
  - 34 U.S.-integrated investigations
    - 13 new investigations
    - 8 completed investigations
  - 136 scientists
- Expeditions 0-14 (Nov 2000-Apr 2007)
  - 112 U.S.-integrated investigations
    - 80 completed investigations
  - 373 scientists



### Expedition 15 Research Accomplishments (Oct 2007 – Apr 2008, data as of May 2007)

- Expedition 15 Plans
  - 38 U.S.-integrated investigations
    - 11 new investigations
    - 1 reserve investigation
  - 139 scientists

## ISS Educational Accomplishments

- K-12 Student participation on ISS 2000-2006
  - 66,000 students in inquiry based learning with ISS data
  - 800,000 students with classroom versions of ISS experiments
  - 31 million had the opportunity to see telecasts from ISS
- 470 undergraduate students
- 251 graduate and postdoctoral students



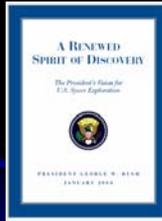
## The Vision for Space Exploration

### and The ISS National Laboratory



1. Complete assembly of the ISS
2. Develop Orion (Crew Exploration Vehicle)
3. Utilize ISS

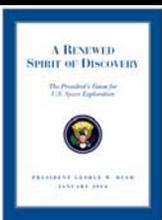
## The Vision for Space Exploration



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- ISS Focus for NASA before Exploration Vision: Diverse, multi-discipline research
  - Human Life Sciences
  - Biological Sciences
  - Materials Science
  - Fluids Science
  - Combustion Science
  - And all other sciences!

## The Vision for Space Exploration



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- NEW ISS Focus for NASA
  - Astronaut health and countermeasure development to protect crews from the space environment during long duration voyages
  - Testing research and technology developments for future exploration missions
  - Developing and validating operational procedures for long-duration space missions

## ISS Medical Project

Experiments on ISS can address:

SPACE SYSTEM	HUMAN SYSTEM
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Advanced life support</li> <li>• Exercise systems</li> <li>• Clinical capabilities</li> <li>• Radiation</li> <li>• Dust</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Integrated physiology</li> <li>• Cardiovascular</li> <li>• Bone &amp; Muscle</li> <li>• Neurovestibular</li> <li>• Food and nutrition</li> <li>• Immunology &amp; infection</li> <li>• Human behavior &amp; performance</li> </ul>



## ISS Medical Project

- ISSMP has been developed to maximize the utilization of ISS to obtain solutions to the human health and performance problems and the associated mission risks of exploration class missions
- Complete programmatic review with medical operations (space medicine/flight surgeons) to identify:
  - Evidence base on risks
  - Gap analysis
- Rapid implementation of key studies to optimize human research return




## Disciplines Represented in early ISS Research

- Human Research
- Cell Biology and Biotechnology
- Plant Biology
- Physical Sciences
- Technology Development
- Environmental Monitoring
- Earth Observation
- Education

## NASA mission-driven Research and the National Laboratory

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● ISS for Exploration (NASA mission)           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Human Research for Exploration</li> <li>● Exploration Technology Development</li> <li>● Space Operations Improvement</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● ISS National Laboratory (Missions of many agencies and organizations)           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Basic physiology</li> <li>● Biology and Biotechnology</li> <li>● Physical Sciences</li> <li>● Education</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Bridging work:           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Microgravity Set-aside</li> <li>● Education</li> <li>● Earth Observations</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	